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Leicester. June 24. 1851.

Dear Sir,

I have recently received from an English friend the accompanying extract of a lecture by Rev. Philip P. Carpenter (one of the sons of the late Dr. C., as you doubtless know.) I feel desirous of having it placed before a larger circle of Unitarian readers, than it would reach by an insertion in our anti-slavery papers, and I believe it would be useful & acceptable to the large majority of such readers to see it. The piece is earnestly and warmly expressed. I am aware, but as there are none of those "personalities" in it, which have been lately so much objected to, I think it cannot be deemed offensive even by the fastidious. To ask its insertion in the "Register" would be an act of presumption; — not so, I hope, in the case of the "Inquirer". I therefore submit the article to you, with the request that you will give it a place in the Inquirer, if you think it would be right so to do. I need not say that I cordially respond to its sentiments, as just, well-expressed, and needing to be spoken.

On the last page you will ~~see~~ observe an extract from a letter written at Trenton in your State. That also is at your service, if you care to use it.

Should you decide not to admit Mr. Carpenter's extract, I will feel obliged to you to return the MSS. to me, as soon as convenient.

I am, with sincere regard, Yours,
(signed) Sam. May Jr

To
Rev. Henry W. Bellows.
At office of "Christian Inquirer", New York.

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When the lecture was given in Lynn, he was understood by a hearer to say his "mother" as one whom he wd. rather consign to slavery than see the Union dissolved; the report was made public, in many forms, & questioned by nobody. Possibly, he said (as in the lecture) his "brother" or his "son". There is no difference in principle of course. He who would give up his brother, or his son, into Slavery, could have no soul, heart, conscience, or bowels of mercies, which would prevent his giving up his old mother. — Dr. Dewey's subjection, & ~~corrupt~~ debasement are as unquestionable as facts can make anything. — He has gone to Washington to live, it is said, having received an office from the U. S. Govt., of a Navy Yard Chaplaincy. — I send you one of the Inquirers — the other I send to Miss Lupton, in care of Jos. Lupton Esq: Leeds. — The Mr. Dodge, who was her informant through Mrs. Marshall, is mistaken, at least; I believe, he lied, because the saying of Dr. D. was notorious here, and nowhere received a public denial, as indeed it could not. Dewey — the whelp — was bidding for U. S. Government favour, and he was determined to stick at nothing. Out of the depths of his depravity, no human power can lift him. — I don't know who this Mr Dodge

is - probably a New York merchant -
for the most part, a bad class; or at
best a cowardly class. — Of course the
report of the "Christian Inquirer" will be
regarded as unexceptionable ~~British~~ authority;
and Miss Lupton will no longer call it a
"wicked invention". She does not know
what Dr. Dewey is capable of. A smooth,
cunning, hypocrite (as he is) - he is equal to
any baseness that men of that description
have ever been proverbial for. ——

The "Morning Advertiser" article has
been copied in full in the Liberator & Standard,
and has been read with much pleasure. An
Englishman read it in our office, (knowing
nothing of the source), with great approval,
and said it wd. have a great effect; he was
greatly surprised at finding so strong an article
in that journal, & one which showed so
good an acquaintance with American
affairs. He did not know that I knew anything
of its origin.

The "British Banner" has not
been received here, to my knowledge.

Neither have I had a "Standard of Freedom", but I saw a copy addressed to Edmund Dening, which contained an article (in a conspicuous editorial position) evidently from your pen - at which I had time barely to glance, but was much pleased to see the array of names, and facts, - the most convincing kind of evidence, after all. I hope to receive a copy soon, for Mr. D. has taken that one to Dedham, and I had ~~but~~ no time ~~to~~ to look at it again.

I hope, with you, that returning spring may invigorate & revive your health, and much I like blessing to Miss Estlin; for I cannot feel glad of your ill health, even tho' (by abstracting you from active home business) it gives you time to think of us, & write & speak for us. —

I send you too a Liberator of last week, as it will precede your regular copy, probably by a week or more.

I am writing now when I ought to be elsewhere, and so, with my best regards to your daughter, and my Boston friends generally, I am,

Very respectfully & truly

Yours

Sam'l. May Jr.

P.S. to Miss E.

I am happy to tell you that Adeline is quite well - wholly recovered from her ill turn. Yesterday, at my father's house we had a baptismal service, by Rev. Theodore Parker, & our little Rebecca was duly christened. She is a fine little girl and will be a year old in just one week if she lives. Excuse the haste in which I have been compelled to write. ——

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